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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS SHERRILL AS INTERIM D.A. FOR 5TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

RALEIGH – Gov. Easley today named John Sherrill as the interim district attorney for the 5th Judicial District which comprises New Hanover and Pender counties. Sherrill replaces John Carriker who is retiring effective Aug. 1. Sherrill will serve until a new district attorney is elected. The primary election for this seat will be held Sept. 14, and if there is a need for a second primary, it will be held on Sept. 28. The general election for this position will be held on Nov. 2.

“John Sherrill is a seasoned prosecutor with more than two decades experience in the courtroom,” said Easley. “His twenty-four years in the district attorney’s office are a testament to his commitment to justice and service to the community. I know he will work hard to ensure that criminal cases are prosecuted fairly and in a timely manner.”

Sherrill is a resident of Wilmington and has served as an assistant district attorney for the 5th Judicial District since 1980. He earned his bachelor’s degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his juris doctorate from the Wake Forest University School of Law. Sherrill received the Experienced Prosecutor Award from the North Carolina District Attorney’s Association in 2000 and is a graduate of the Executive Program for Prosecution for Prosecution Leadership in the National College of District Attorneys.

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